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MEMORANDUM FOR GENERAL HAIG

FROM: THE SITUATION ROOM

SUBJECT: FURTHER ON BOMBING OF FRENCH MISSION IN HANOI

AMBASSADOR WATSON REPORTS THAT THE QUAI DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR ASIAN AFFAIRS INFORMED HIM TODAY THAT THE FRENCH HAVE NO DIRECT INFORMATION FROM THEIR MISSION IN HANOI. HOWEVER, REPORTS FROM THE SWEDISH MISSION IN HANOI CONFIRM PRESS ACCOUNTS. ACCORDINGLY, THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR HAS REQUESTED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE THE SUBMISSION OF AN EXPLANATION OF THE ACTION AND A SUITABLE OFFICIAL U.S. GOVERNMENT STATEMENT TO THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT. IN ADDITION, AMBASSADOR WATSON HAS BEEN CALLED IN FOR A MEETING WITH SECRETARY GENERAL ALPHAND.

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THE PENTAGON INDICATES THAT 10 A7S, 4 F4S, AND 3 A6 USN AIRCRAFT TODAY STRUCK THE HANOI-GIA LAM RAILROAD YARDS, WHICH ARE LOCATED EAST AND ACROSS THE RED RIVER SOME 2 AND 1/2 AIR MILES FROM THE FRENCH MISSION. THE AIRCRAFT REPORTED DELIVERING THEIR 1,000-POUND AND 500-POUND IRON BOMBS ON TARGET, DESPITE HEAVY ENEMY ANTIAIRCRAFT FIRE AND THE FIRING OF SIX SURFACE-TO-AIR MISSILES.

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